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(U) **Case ID #:** ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ 199N-SD-65044 (Pending)

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(U) **Title:** ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ SHAREEF ABDULMUTTALEB El-ARBI (USPER)  
IT-UBL/AL-QAEDA

(U) **Synopsis:** ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ **Derived From:** G-3  
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(U) **Preliminary Inquiry Instituted:** 10/11/2002, set to expire  
02/07/2003.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ As background, on 09/11/2001, American Airlines  
representatives provided to FBI Headquarters the passenger manifest  
for American Airlines Flight #77. The names Nawaf Al-Hazmi and Khalid  
Al-Midhar were included on the passenger manifest.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/12/2001, the Washington Field Office of  
the FBI was notified by the Dulles Airport Police that a suspicious  
vehicle was found at the Dulles International Airport located in the

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Hourly Lot, Row G, Herndon, Virginia. The suspicious vehicle was described as a 1998 Toyota.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) records determined the 1988 Toyota, with California license plates, Vehicle Identification Number JT2AE92E9J3137546, was registered to Nawaf Al-Hazmi, 8451 Mt. Vernon Way, Lemon Grove, California.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ The vehicle was searched by agents and found to contain a medical prescription for Khalid Al-Midhar, from [redacted] a receipt for car service at [redacted] San Diego, California, signed by Khalid Al-Midhar, and an insurance card for Khalid Al-Midhar. Subsequent investigation determined that both Al-Hazmi and Al-Midhar resided in San Diego in 1999 and 2000.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Also found during the search of Al-Hazmi's vehicle was a piece of paper with [redacted] written on it. Subsequent search of telephone databases revealed that the telephone [redacted] was subscribed to [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/20/2001, FBI agents located and interviewed [redacted] admitted that he was associated with telephone number [redacted] advised that he was enrolled at Grossmont College. Investigation at Grossmont College revealed [redacted] collegiate email address as [redacted] as an additional email account on his student record

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ [redacted] provided the FBI with consent to search his residence and computer. The search uncovered a box-cutter and several computer-generated photographs of Usama Bin Laden. A subsequent search of the computer by the San Diego Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory (RCFL) revealed several occurrences of email addresses, [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] It also revealed email messages from [redacted]. The computer search also revealed an email address [redacted] to email account, [redacted] On 10/30/2000 with the subject stating: "I'm very very sorry." The FBI has determined that Al-Hazmi utilized the ss3000@hotmail.com account in late 2000 through early March 2001.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Investigation by FBI determined that Abdullah helped accclimate Al-Hazmi and Al-Midhar to the San Diego area and provided assistance with their travel arrangements and flight lessons

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while in San Diego. In early 2001, Al-Hazmi telephonically contacted Abdullah and informed him that Al-Hazmi was in Arizona attending flight school.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Abdullah provided the FBI consent to search his residence, resulting in the seizure of his personal computer, located on Abdullah's computer was an email message dated 09/13/2001, from [REDACTED]. There appeared to be an anti-American biased tone to the message, as it queried, "Is it the same nation that was the only nation in history to use atomic weapons in anger...Does this hypocrite nation have the right to call anyone a terrorist just because they condemn its unjust practices?"

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ A review of Abdullah's computer by San Diego RCFL revealed [REDACTED] checked his email from Abdullah's computer and that [REDACTED] sent several emails to Abdullah, [REDACTED] and Omar Al-Bayoumi in 2001. A home directory for [REDACTED] Phone List," was located on Abdullah's computer. Within this directory were the following names and telephone numbers:

1. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]

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(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/11/2000, [REDACTED] received "a note of appreciation and thanks" email from the Holy Land Foundation.

~~(S/NF/OC)~~ FBI investigation at Grossmont College also revealed that email address, MOHDAR78@HOTMAIL.COM, was provided by Mohdar Abdullah as a point of contact. Grossmont College further provided the Abdullah's collegiate email address is listed as MOHDARABDULLAH@STUDENTS.GCCCD.NET.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/21/2001, Mohdar Abdullah was arrested on a Material Witness warrant for Penttbomb issued out of the Southern District of New York, after he declined to take a polygraph examination. Abdullah's vehicle was subsequently seized. During the inventory search, a spiral notebook was obtained, which referenced planes falling from the sky, mass killings and hijacking.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/22/2001, agents obtained and executed a sealed federal search warrant for the current residence of Mohdar Abdullah at 1415 East Lexington Avenue, #146, El Cajon, California. Abdullah was renting a room from [REDACTED] and resided with

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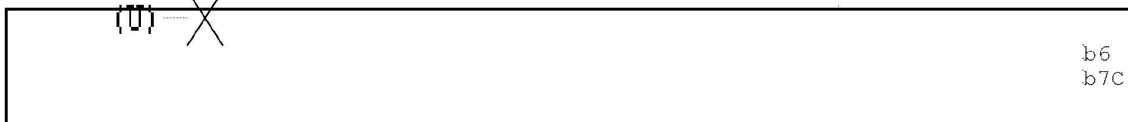
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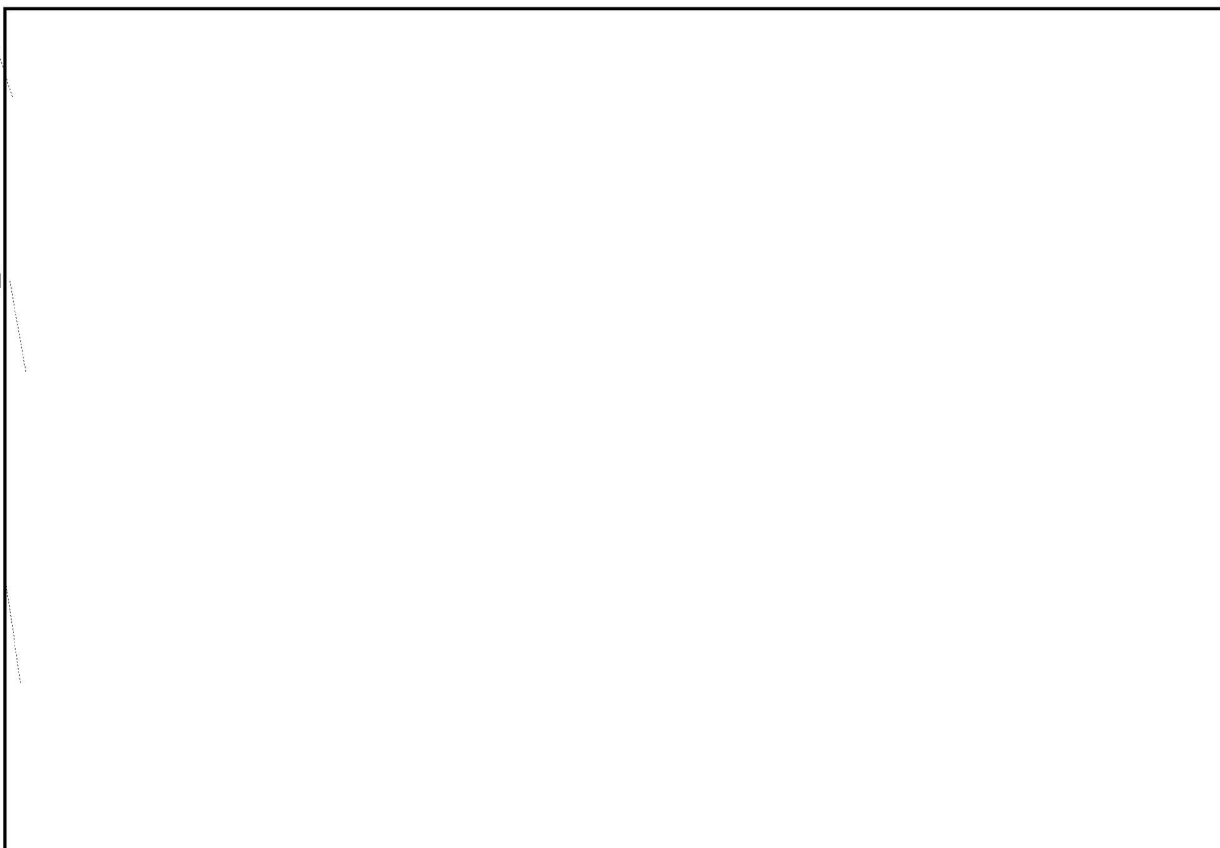
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